CES-COMMUNITY OUTREACH

MISSION

The Durham County Center of NC Cooperative Extension helps individuals, families and communities use research-based knowledge and county resources to help improve the quality of their lives.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Community Outreach offers opportunities for community groups and county government to work together to improve the delivery of services to Durham citizens. The program sponsors a continuum of facilitated educational programs on issues affecting Durham citizens. Community Outreach works with community organizations to develop planning and organizational skills needed to effect change in their respective communities. Services also include the oversight and support of the county's Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

The Council provides a focused and collaborative approach to addressing the social and emotional needs of children currently involved in the juvenile justice system, while encouraging an infrastructure for programs focused on prevention juvenile delinquency.

2002-03 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 7 Juvenile Service agencies and human service departments provided developmental services to youth involved implemented community development projects.
- Planning and implementation of a Governor's Crime Commission Grant assessment model began for organizations wishing to be supported by Durham County
- JCPC conducted the annual needs assessment and carried out it's request for proposal for programs addressing community priorities
- 4 community organizations planned and implemented community development projects

2003-04 OBJECTIVES

- Community Organizations will use county government services more collaboratively to meet their community needs.
- Youth support services will be provided to juveniles using the Division of Juvenile Justice funding efficiently. (Increased number of students served.)
- Expand the Community Outreach Website to include community resources and increase marketing of this site.

